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Mr. THOMAS (for himself, Mr. CRANE, Mr. DREIER, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. TANNER, and Mr. DOOLEY of California) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on

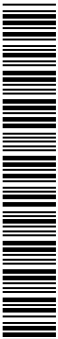
A BILL

To extend trade authorities procedures with respect to
reciprocal trade agreements.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE AND FINDINGS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Bipartisan Trade Promotion Authority Act of 2001”.



1 (b) FINDINGS.—The Congress makes the following
2 findings:

3 (1) The expansion of international trade is vital
4 to the national security of the United States. Trade
5 is critical to the economic growth and strength of
6 the United States and to its leadership in the world.
7 Stable trading relationships promote security and
8 prosperity. Trade agreements today serve the same
9 purposes that security pacts played during the Cold
10 War, binding nations together through a series of
11 mutual rights and obligations. Leadership by the
12 United States in international trade fosters open
13 markets, democracy, and peace throughout the
14 world.

15 (2) The national security of the United States
16 depends on its economic security, which in turn is
17 founded upon a vibrant and growing industrial base.
18 Trade expansion has been the engine of economic
19 growth. Trade agreements maximize opportunities
20 for the critical sectors and building blocks of the
21 economy of the United States, such as information
22 technology, telecommunications and other leading
23 technologies, basic industries, capital equipment,
24 medical equipment, services, agriculture, environ-
25 mental technology, and intellectual property. Trade



1 will create new opportunities for the United States
2 and preserve the unparalleled strength of the United
3 States in economic, political, and military affairs.
4 The United States, secured by expanding trade and
5 economic opportunities, will meet the challenges of
6 the twenty-first century.

7 **SEC. 2. TRADE NEGOTIATING OBJECTIVES.**

8 (a) OVERALL TRADE NEGOTIATING OBJECTIVES.—

9 The overall trade negotiating objectives of the United
10 States for agreements subject to the provisions of section
11 3 are—

12 (1) to obtain more open, equitable, and recip-
13 rocal market access;

14 (2) to obtain the reduction or elimination of
15 barriers and distortions that are directly related to
16 trade and that decrease market opportunities for
17 United States exports or otherwise distort United
18 States trade;

19 (3) to further strengthen the system of inter-
20 national trading disciplines and procedures, includ-
21 ing dispute settlement;

22 (4) to foster economic growth, raise living
23 standards, and promote full employment in the
24 United States and to enhance the global economy;



1 (5) to ensure that trade and environmental poli-
2 cies are mutually supportive and to seek to protect
3 and preserve the environment and enhance the inter-
4 national means of doing so, while optimizing the use
5 of the world's resources; and

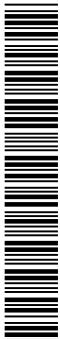
6 (6) to promote respect for worker rights and
7 the rights of children consistent with core labor
8 standards of the International Labor Organization
9 (as defined in section 9(2)) and an understanding of
10 the relationship between trade and worker rights.

11 (b) PRINCIPAL TRADE NEGOTIATING OBJECTIVES.—

12 (1) TRADE BARRIERS AND DISTORTIONS.—The
13 principal negotiating objectives of the United States
14 regarding trade barriers and other trade distortions
15 are—

16 (A) to expand competitive market opportu-
17 nities for United States exports and to obtain
18 fairer and more open conditions of trade by re-
19 ducing or eliminating tariff and nontariff bar-
20 riers and policies and practices of foreign gov-
21 ernments directly related to trade that decrease
22 market opportunities for United States exports
23 or otherwise distort United States trade; and

24 (B) to obtain reciprocal tariff and non-
25 tariff barrier elimination agreements, with par-



1 ticular attention to those tariff categories cov-
2 ered in section 111(b) of the Uruguay Round
3 Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3521(b)).

4 (2) TRADE IN SERVICES.—The principal negoti-
5 ating objective of the United States regarding trade
6 in services is to reduce or eliminate barriers to inter-
7 national trade in services, including regulatory and
8 other barriers that deny national treatment and
9 market access or unreasonably restrict the establish-
10 ment or operations of service suppliers.

11 (3) FOREIGN INVESTMENT.—The principal ne-
12 gotiating objective of the United States regarding
13 foreign investment is to reduce or eliminate artificial
14 or trade-distorting barriers to trade-related foreign
15 investment by—

16 (A) reducing or eliminating exceptions to
17 the principle of national treatment;

18 (B) freeing the transfer of funds relating
19 to investments;

20 (C) reducing or eliminating performance
21 requirements, forced technology transfers, and
22 other unreasonable barriers to the establish-
23 ment and operation of investments;

24 (D) seeking to establish standards for ex-
25 propriation and compensation for expropriation,



1 consistent with United States legal principles
2 and practice;

3 (E) providing meaningful procedures for
4 resolving investment disputes; and

5 (F) seeking to improve mechanisms used
6 to resolve disputes between an investor and a
7 government through—

8 (i) mechanisms to eliminate frivolous
9 claims;

10 (ii) procedures to ensure the efficient
11 selection of arbitrators and the expeditious
12 disposition of claims; and

13 (iii) procedures to increase trans-
14 parency in investment disputes.

15 (4) INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY.—The principal
16 negotiating objectives of the United States regarding
17 trade-related intellectual property are—

18 (A) to further promote adequate and effec-
19 tive protection of intellectual property rights,
20 including through—

21 (i)(I) ensuring accelerated and full
22 implementation of the Agreement on
23 Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual
24 Property Rights referred to in section
25 101(d)(15) of the Uruguay Round Agree-



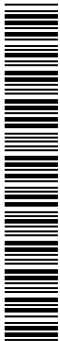
ments Act (19 U.S.C. 3511(d)(15)), particularly with respect to meeting enforcement obligations under that agreement; and

(II) ensuring that the provisions of any multilateral or bilateral trade agreement governing intellectual property rights that is entered into by the United States reflect a standard of protection similar to that found in United States law;

(ii) providing strong protection for new and emerging technologies and new methods of transmitting and distributing products embodying intellectual property;

(iii) preventing or eliminating discrimination with respect to matters affecting the availability, acquisition, scope, maintenance, use, and enforcement of intellectual property rights;

(iv) ensuring that standards of protection and enforcement keep pace with technological developments, and in particular ensuring that rightholders have the legal and technological means to control the use of their works through the Internet and



1 other global communication media, and to
2 prevent the unauthorized use of their
3 works; and

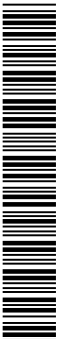
4 (v) providing strong enforcement of
5 intellectual property rights, including
6 through accessible, expeditious, and effec-
7 tive civil, administrative, and criminal en-
8 forcement mechanisms; and

9 (B) to secure fair, equitable, and non-
10 discriminatory market access opportunities for
11 United States persons that rely upon intellec-
12 tual property protection.

13 (5) TRANSPARENCY.—The principal negotiating
14 objective of the United States with respect to trans-
15 parency is to obtain wider and broader application
16 of the principle of transparency through—

17 (A) increased and more timely public ac-
18 cess to information regarding trade issues and
19 the activities of international trade institutions;

20 (B) increased openness at the WTO and
21 other international trade fora by increasing
22 public access to appropriate meetings, pro-
23 ceedings, and submissions, including with re-
24 gard to dispute settlement and investment; and



1 (C) increased and more timely public ac-
2 cess to all notifications and supporting docu-
3 mentation submitted by parties to the WTO.

4 (6) IMPROVEMENT OF THE WTO AND MULTI-
5 LATERAL TRADE AGREEMENTS.—The principal ne-
6 gotiating objectives of the United States regarding
7 the improvement of the World Trade Organization,
8 the Uruguay Round Agreements, and other multilat-
9 eral and bilateral trade agreements are—

10 (A) to achieve full implementation and ex-
11 tend the coverage of the World Trade Organiza-
12 tion and such agreements to products, sectors,
13 and conditions of trade not adequately covered;
14 and

15 (B) to expand country participation in and
16 enhancement of the Information Technology
17 Agreement and other trade agreements.

18 (7) REGULATORY PRACTICES.—The principal
19 negotiating objectives of the United States regarding
20 the use of government regulation or other practices
21 by foreign governments to provide a competitive ad-
22 vantage to their domestic producers, service pro-
23 viders, or investors and thereby reduce market ac-
24 cess for United States goods, services, and invest-
25 ments are—



1 (A) to achieve increased transparency and
2 opportunity for the participation of affected
3 parties in the development of regulations;

4 (B) to require that proposed regulations be
5 based on sound science, cost-benefit analysis,
6 risk assessment, or other objective evidence;

7 (C) to establish consultative mechanisms
8 among parties to trade agreements to promote
9 increased transparency in developing guidelines,
10 rules, regulations, and laws for government pro-
11 curement and other regulatory regimes; and

12 (D) to achieve the elimination of govern-
13 ment measures such as price controls and ref-
14 erence pricing which deny full market access for
15 United States products.

16 (8) ELECTRONIC COMMERCE.—The principal
17 negotiating objectives of the United States with re-
18 spect to electronic commerce are—

19 (A) to ensure that current obligations,
20 rules, disciplines, and commitments under the
21 World Trade Organization apply to electronic
22 commerce;

23 (B) to ensure that—

24 (i) electronically delivered goods and
25 services receive no less favorable treatment



1 under trade rules and commitments than
2 like products delivered in physical form;
3 and

4 (ii) the classification of such goods
5 and services ensures the most liberal trade
6 treatment possible;

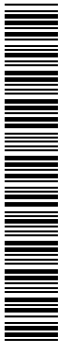
7 (C) to ensure that governments refrain
8 from implementing trade-related measures that
9 impede electronic commerce;

10 (D) where legitimate policy objectives re-
11 quire domestic regulations that affect electronic
12 commerce, to obtain commitments that any
13 such regulations are the least restrictive on
14 trade, nondiscriminatory, and transparent, and
15 promote an open market environment; and

16 (E) to extend the moratorium of the World
17 Trade Organization on duties on electronic
18 transmissions.

19 (9) RECIPROCAL TRADE IN AGRICULTURE.—(A)

20 The principal negotiating objective of the United
21 States with respect to agriculture is to obtain com-
22 petitive opportunities for United States exports of
23 agricultural commodities in foreign markets substan-
24 tially equivalent to the competitive opportunities af-
25 forced foreign exports in United States markets and



1 to achieve fairer and more open conditions of trade
2 in bulk, specialty crop, and value-added commodities
3 by—

4 (i) reducing or eliminating, by a date cer-
5 tain, tariffs or other charges that decrease mar-
6 ket opportunities for United States exports—

7 (I) giving priority to those products
8 that are subject to significantly higher tar-
9 iffs or subsidy regimes of major producing
10 countries; and

11 (II) providing reasonable adjustment
12 periods for United States import-sensitive
13 products, in close consultation with the
14 Congress on such products before initiating
15 tariff reduction negotiations;

16 (ii) reducing tariffs to levels that are the
17 same as or lower than those in the United
18 States;

19 (iii) reducing or eliminating subsidies that
20 decrease market opportunities for United States
21 exports or unfairly distort agriculture markets
22 to the detriment of the United States;

23 (iv) allowing the preservation of programs
24 that support family farms and rural commu-
25 nities but do not distort trade;



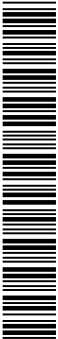
1 (v) developing disciplines for domestic sup-
2 port programs, so that production that is in ex-
3 cess of domestic food security needs is sold at
4 world prices;

5 (vi) eliminating Government policies that
6 create price-depressing surpluses;

7 (vii) eliminating state trading enterprises
8 whenever possible;

9 (viii) developing, strengthening, and clari-
10 fying rules and effective dispute settlement
11 mechanisms to eliminate practices that unfairly
12 decrease United States market access opportu-
13 nities or distort agricultural markets to the det-
14 riment of the United States, particularly with
15 respect to import-sensitive products,
16 including—

17 (I) unfair or trade-distorting activities
18 of state trading enterprises and other ad-
19 ministrative mechanisms, with emphasis on
20 requiring price transparency in the oper-
21 ation of state trading enterprises and such
22 other mechanisms in order to end cross
23 subsidization, price discrimination, and
24 price undercutting;



1 (II) unjustified trade restrictions or
2 commercial requirements, such as labeling,
3 that affect new technologies, including bio-
4 technology;

5 (III) unjustified sanitary or
6 phytosanitary restrictions, including those
7 not based on scientific principles in con-
8 travention of the Uruguay Round Agree-
9 ments;

10 (IV) other unjustified technical bar-
11 riers to trade; and

12 (V) restrictive rules in the administra-
13 tion of tariff rate quotas;

14 (ix) eliminating practices that adversely af-
15 fect trade in perishable or cyclical products,
16 while improving import relief mechanisms to
17 recognize the unique characteristics of perish-
18 able and cyclical agriculture;

19 (x) ensuring that the use of import relief
20 mechanisms for perishable and cyclical agri-
21 culture are as accessible and timely to growers
22 in the United States as those mechanisms that
23 are used by other countries;

24 (xi) taking into account whether a party to
25 the negotiations has failed to adhere to the pro-



1 visions of already existing trade agreements
2 with the United States or has circumvented ob-
3 ligations under those agreements;

4 (xii) taking into account whether a product
5 is subject to market distortions by reason of a
6 failure of a major producing country to adhere
7 to the provisions of already existing trade
8 agreements with the United States or by the
9 circumvention by that country of its obligations
10 under those agreements;

11 (xiii) otherwise ensuring that countries
12 that accede to the World Trade Organization
13 have made meaningful market liberalization
14 commitments in agriculture;

15 (xiv) taking into account the impact that
16 agreements covering agriculture to which the
17 United States is a party, including the North
18 American Free Trade Agreement, have on the
19 United States agricultural industry; and

20 (xv) maintaining bona fide food assistance
21 programs and preserving United States market
22 development and export credit programs.

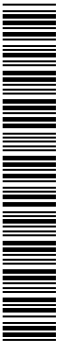
23 (B)(i) Before commencing negotiations with re-
24 spect to agriculture, the United States Trade Rep-
25 resentative, in consultation with the Congress, shall



1 seek to develop a position on the treatment of sea-
2 sonal and perishable agricultural products to be em-
3 ployed in the negotiations in order to develop an
4 international consensus on the treatment of seasonal
5 or perishable agricultural products in investigations
6 relating to dumping and safeguards and in any other
7 relevant area.

8 (ii) During any negotiations on agricultural
9 subsidies, the United States Trade Representative
10 shall seek to establish the common base year for cal-
11 culating the Aggregated Measurement of Support
12 (as defined in the Agreement on Agriculture) as the
13 end of each country's Uruguay Round implementa-
14 tion period, as reported in each country's Uruguay
15 Round market access schedule.

16 (iii) The negotiating objective provided in sub-
17 paragraph (A) applies with respect to agricultural
18 matters to be addressed in any trade agreement en-
19 tered into under section 3(a) or (b), including any
20 trade agreement entered into under section 3(a) or
21 (b) that provides for accession to a trade agreement
22 to which the United States is already a party, such
23 as the North American Free Trade Agreement and
24 the United States-Canada Free Trade Agreement.

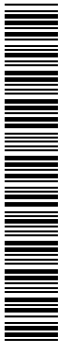


1 (10) LABOR AND THE ENVIRONMENT.—The
2 principal negotiating objectives of the United States
3 with respect to labor and the environment are—

4 (A) to ensure that a party to a trade
5 agreement with the United States does not fail
6 to effectively enforce its environmental or labor
7 laws, through a sustained or recurring course of
8 action or inaction, in a manner affecting trade
9 between the United States and that party after
10 entry into force of a trade agreement between
11 those countries;

12 (B) to recognize that parties to a trade
13 agreement retain the right to exercise discretion
14 with respect to investigatory, prosecutorial, reg-
15 ulatory, and compliance matters and to make
16 decisions regarding the allocation of resources
17 to enforcement with respect to other labor or
18 environmental matters determined to have high-
19 er priorities, and to recognize that a country is
20 effectively enforcing its laws if a course of ac-
21 tion or inaction reflects a reasonable exercise of
22 such discretion, or results from a bona fide de-
23 cision regarding the allocation of resources;

24 (C) to strengthen the capacity of United
25 States trading partners to promote respect for



1 core labor standards (as defined in section
2 9(2));

3 (D) to strengthen the capacity of United
4 States trading partners to protect the environ-
5 ment through the promotion of sustainable de-
6 velopment;

7 (E) to reduce or eliminate government
8 practices or policies that unduly threaten sus-
9 tainable development;

10 (F) to seek market access, through the
11 elimination of tariffs and nontariff barriers, for
12 United States environmental technologies,
13 goods, and services; and

14 (G) to ensure that labor, environmental,
15 health, or safety policies and practices of the
16 parties to trade agreements with the United
17 States do not arbitrarily or unjustifiably dis-
18 criminate against United States exports or
19 serve as disguised barriers to trade.

20 (11) DISPUTE SETTLEMENT AND ENFORCE-
21 MENT.—The principal negotiating objectives of the
22 United States with respect to dispute settlement and
23 enforcement of trade agreements are—

24 (A) to seek provisions in trade agreements
25 providing for resolution of disputes between



1 governments under those trade agreements in
2 an effective, timely, transparent, equitable, and
3 reasoned manner, requiring determinations
4 based on facts and the principles of the agree-
5 ments, with the goal of increasing compliance
6 with the agreements;

7 (B) to seek to strengthen the capacity of
8 the Trade Policy Review Mechanism of the
9 World Trade Organization to review compliance
10 with commitments;

11 (C) to seek provisions encouraging the
12 early identification and settlement of disputes
13 through consultation;

14 (D) to seek provisions to encourage the
15 provision of trade-expanding compensation if a
16 party to a dispute under the agreement does
17 not come into compliance with its obligations
18 under the agreement;

19 (E) to seek provisions to impose a penalty
20 upon a party to a dispute under the agreement
21 that—

22 (i) encourages compliance with the ob-
23 ligations of the agreement;



1 (ii) is appropriate to the parties, na-
2 ture, subject matter, and scope of the vio-
3 lation; and

4 (iii) has the aim of not adversely af-
5 fecting parties or interests not party to the
6 dispute while maintaining the effectiveness
7 of the enforcement mechanism; and

8 (F) to seek provisions that treat United
9 States principal negotiating objectives equally
10 with respect to—

11 (i) the ability to resort to dispute set-
12 tlement under the applicable agreement;

13 (ii) the availability of equivalent dis-
14 pute settlement procedures; and

15 (iii) the availability of equivalent rem-
16 edies.

17 (12) WTO EXTENDED NEGOTIATIONS.—The
18 principal negotiating objectives of the United States
19 regarding trade in civil aircraft are those set forth
20 in section 135(c) of the Uruguay Round Agreements
21 Act (19 U.S.C. 3355(c)) and regarding rules of ori-
22 gin are the conclusion of an agreement described in
23 section 132 of that Act (19 U.S.C. 3552).



1 (c) PROMOTION OF CERTAIN PRIORITIES.—In order
2 to address and maintain United States competitiveness in
3 the global economy, the President shall—

4 (1) seek greater cooperation between the WTO
5 and the ILO;

6 (2) seek to establish consultative mechanisms
7 among parties to trade agreements to strengthen the
8 capacity of United States trading partners to pro-
9 mote respect for core labor standards (as defined in
10 section 9(2)), and report to the Committee on Ways
11 and Means of the House of Representatives and the
12 Committee on Finance of the Senate on the content
13 and operation of such mechanisms;

14 (3) seek to establish consultative mechanisms
15 among parties to trade agreements to strengthen the
16 capacity of United States trading partners to de-
17 velop and implement standards for the protection of
18 the environment and human health based on sound
19 science, and report to the Committee on Ways and
20 Means of the House of Representatives and the
21 Committee on Finance of the Senate on the content
22 and operation of such mechanisms;

23 (4) conduct environmental reviews of future
24 trade and investment agreements, consistent with
25 Executive Order 13141 of November 16, 1999 and



1 its relevant guidelines, and report to the Committee
2 on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives
3 and the Committee on Finance of the Senate on
4 such reviews;

5 (5) review the impact of future trade agree-
6 ments on United States employment, modeled after
7 Executive Order 13141, and report to the Com-
8 mittee on Ways and Means of the House of Rep-
9 resentatives and the Committee on Finance of the
10 Senate on such review;

11 (6) take into account other legitimate United
12 States domestic objectives including, but not limited
13 to, the protection of legitimate health or safety, es-
14 sential security, and consumer interests and the law
15 and regulations related thereto;

16 (7) have the Secretary of Labor consult with
17 any country seeking a trade agreement with the
18 United States concerning that country's labor laws
19 and provide technical assistance to that country if
20 needed;

21 (8) with respect to any trade agreement which
22 the President seeks to implement under trade au-
23 thorities procedures, submit to the Congress a report
24 describing the extent to which the country or coun-



1 tries that are parties to the agreement have in effect
2 laws governing exploitative child labor;

3 (9) preserve the ability of the United States to
4 enforce rigorously its trade laws, including the anti-
5 dumping and countervailing duty laws, and avoid
6 agreements which lessen the effectiveness of domes-
7 tic and international disciplines on unfair trade, es-
8 pecially dumping and subsidies, in order to ensure
9 that United States workers, agricultural producers,
10 and firms can compete fully on fair terms and enjoy
11 the benefits of reciprocal trade concessions;

12 (10) continue to promote consideration of mul-
13 tilateral environmental agreements and consult with
14 parties to such agreements regarding the consistency
15 of any such agreement that includes trade measures
16 with existing environmental exceptions under Article
17 XX of the GATT 1994; and

18 (11) report to the Committee on Ways and
19 Means of the House of Representatives and the
20 Committee on Finance of the Senate, not later than
21 12 months after the imposition of a penalty or rem-
22 edy by the United States permitted by a trade agree-
23 ment to which this Act applies, on the effectiveness
24 of the penalty or remedy applied under United



1 States law in enforcing United States rights under
2 the trade agreement.

3 The report under paragraph (11) shall address whether
4 the penalty or remedy was effective in changing the behav-
5 ior of the targeted party and whether the penalty or rem-
6 edy had any adverse impact on parties or interests not
7 party to the dispute.

8 (d) CONSULTATIONS.—

9 (1) CONSULTATIONS WITH CONGRESSIONAL AD-
10 VISERS.—In the course of negotiations conducted
11 under this Act, the United States Trade Representa-
12 tive shall consult closely and on a timely basis with,
13 and keep fully apprised of the negotiations, the Con-
14 gressional Oversight Group convened under section 7
15 and all committees of the House of Representatives
16 and the Senate with jurisdiction over laws that
17 would be affected by a trade agreement resulting
18 from the negotiations.

19 (2) CONSULTATION BEFORE AGREEMENT INI-
20 TIALED.—In the course of negotiations conducted
21 under this Act, the United States Trade Representa-
22 tive shall—

23 (A) consult closely and on a timely basis
24 (including immediately before initialing an
25 agreement) with, and keep fully apprised of the



1 negotiations, the congressional advisers for
2 trade policy and negotiations appointed under
3 section 161 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19
4 U.S.C. 2211), the Committee on Ways and
5 Means of the House of Representatives, the
6 Committee on Finance of the Senate, and the
7 Congressional Oversight Group convened under
8 section 7; and

9 (B) with regard to any negotiations and
10 agreement relating to agricultural trade, also
11 consult closely and on a timely basis (including
12 immediately before initialing an agreement)
13 with, and keep fully apprised of the negotia-
14 tions, the Committee on Agriculture of the
15 House of Representatives and the Committee
16 on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the
17 Senate.

18 (e) ADHERENCE TO OBLIGATIONS UNDER URUGUAY
19 ROUND AGREEMENTS.—In determining whether to enter
20 into negotiations with a particular country, the President
21 shall take into account the extent to which that country
22 has implemented, or has accelerated the implementation
23 of, its obligations under the Uruguay Round Agreements.

24 **SEC. 3. TRADE AGREEMENTS AUTHORITY.**

25 (a) AGREEMENTS REGARDING TARIFF BARRIERS.—



1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Whenever the President de-
2 termines that one or more existing duties or other
3 import restrictions of any foreign country or the
4 United States are unduly burdening and restricting
5 the foreign trade of the United States and that the
6 purposes, policies, priorities, and objectives of this
7 Act will be promoted thereby, the President—

8 (A) may enter into trade agreements with
9 foreign countries before—

10 (i) June 1, 2005; or

11 (ii) June 1, 2007, if trade authorities
12 procedures are extended under subsection
13 (c); and

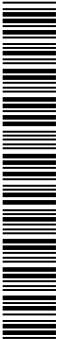
14 (B) may, subject to paragraphs (2) and
15 (3), proclaim—

16 (i) such modification or continuance
17 of any existing duty,

18 (ii) such continuance of existing duty-
19 free or excise treatment, or

20 (iii) such additional duties,

21 as the President determines to be required or
22 appropriate to carry out any such trade agree-
23 ment.



1 The President shall notify the Congress of the Presi-
2 dent's intention to enter into an agreement under
3 this subsection.

4 (2) LIMITATIONS.—No proclamation may be
5 made under paragraph (1) that—

6 (A) reduces any rate of duty (other than a
7 rate of duty that does not exceed 5 percent ad
8 valorem on the date of the enactment of this
9 Act) to a rate of duty which is less than 50 per-
10 cent of the rate of such duty that applies on
11 such date of enactment; or

12 (B) increases any rate of duty above the
13 rate that applied on the date of the enactment
14 of this Act.

15 (3) AGGREGATE REDUCTION; EXEMPTION FROM
16 STAGING.—

17 (A) AGGREGATE REDUCTION.—Except as
18 provided in subparagraph (B), the aggregate re-
19 duction in the rate of duty on any article which
20 is in effect on any day pursuant to a trade
21 agreement entered into under paragraph (1)
22 shall not exceed the aggregate reduction which
23 would have been in effect on such day if—

24 (i) a reduction of 3 percent ad valo-
25 rem or a reduction of one-tenth of the total



1 reduction, whichever is greater, had taken
2 effect on the effective date of the first re-
3 duction proclaimed under paragraph (1) to
4 carry out such agreement with respect to
5 such article; and

6 (ii) a reduction equal to the amount
7 applicable under clause (i) had taken effect
8 at 1-year intervals after the effective date
9 of such first reduction.

10 (B) EXEMPTION FROM STAGING.—No
11 staging is required under subparagraph (A)
12 with respect to a duty reduction that is pro-
13 claimed under paragraph (1) for an article of a
14 kind that is not produced in the United States.
15 The United States International Trade Com-
16 mission shall advise the President of the iden-
17 tity of articles that may be exempted from stag-
18 ing under this subparagraph.

19 (4) ROUNDING.—If the President determines
20 that such action will simplify the computation of re-
21 ductions under paragraph (3), the President may
22 round an annual reduction by an amount equal to
23 the lesser of—



1 (A) the difference between the reduction
2 without regard to this paragraph and the next
3 lower whole number; or

4 (B) one-half of 1 percent ad valorem.

5 (5) OTHER LIMITATIONS.—A rate of duty re-
6 duction that may not be proclaimed by reason of
7 paragraph (2) may take effect only if a provision au-
8 thorizing such reduction is included within an imple-
9 menting bill provided for under section 5 and that
10 bill is enacted into law.

11 (6) OTHER TARIFF MODIFICATIONS.—Notwith-
12 standing paragraphs (1)(B) and (2) through (5),
13 and subject to the consultation and layover require-
14 ments of section 115 of the Uruguay Round Agree-
15 ments Act, the President may proclaim the modifica-
16 tion of any duty or staged rate reduction of any duty
17 set forth in Schedule XX, as defined in section 2(5)
18 of that Act, if the United States agrees to such
19 modification or staged rate reduction in a negotia-
20 tion for the reciprocal elimination or harmonization
21 of duties under the auspices of the World Trade Or-
22 ganization.

23 (7) AUTHORITY UNDER URUGUAY ROUND
24 AGREEMENTS ACT NOT AFFECTED.—Nothing in this
25 subsection shall limit the authority provided to the



1 President under section 111(b) of the Uruguay
2 Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3521(b)).

3 (b) AGREEMENTS REGARDING TARIFF AND NON-
4 TARIFF BARRIERS.—

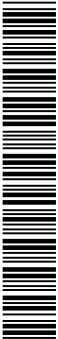
5 (1) IN GENERAL.—(A) Whenever the President
6 determines that—

7 (i) one or more existing duties or any other
8 import restriction of any foreign country or the
9 United States or any other barrier to, or other
10 distortion of, international trade unduly bur-
11 dens or restricts the foreign trade of the United
12 States or adversely affects the United States
13 economy; or

14 (ii) the imposition of any such barrier or
15 distortion is likely to result in such a burden,
16 restriction, or effect;

17 and that the purposes, policies, priorities, and objec-
18 tives of this Act will be promoted thereby, the Presi-
19 dent may enter into a trade agreement described in
20 subparagraph (B) during the period described in
21 subparagraph (C).

22 (B) The President may enter into a trade
23 agreement under subparagraph (A) with foreign
24 countries providing for—



1 (i) the reduction or elimination of a duty,
2 restriction, barrier, or other distortion described
3 in subparagraph (A), or

4 (ii) the prohibition of, or limitation on the
5 imposition of, such barrier or other distortion.

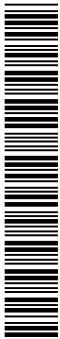
6 (C) The President may enter into a trade
7 agreement under this paragraph before—

8 (i) June 1, 2005; or

9 (ii) June 1, 2007, if trade authorities pro-
10 cedures are extended under subsection (c).

11 (2) CONDITIONS.—A trade agreement may be
12 entered into under this subsection only if such
13 agreement makes progress in meeting the applicable
14 objectives described in section 2(a) and (b) and the
15 President satisfies the conditions set forth in section
16 4.

17 (3) BILLS QUALIFYING FOR TRADE AUTHORI-
18 TIES PROCEDURES.—(A) The provisions of section
19 151 of the Trade Act of 1974 (in this Act referred
20 to as “trade authorities procedures”) apply to a bill
21 of either House of Congress which contains provi-
22 sions described in subparagraph (B) to the same ex-
23 tent as such section 151 applies to implementing
24 bills under that section. A bill to which this para-



1 graph applies shall hereafter in this Act be referred
2 to as an “implementing bill”.

3 (B) The provisions referred to in subparagraph
4 (A) are—

5 (i) a provision approving a trade agree-
6 ment entered into under this subsection and ap-
7 proving the statement of administrative action,
8 if any, proposed to implement such trade agree-
9 ment; and

10 (ii) if changes in existing laws or new statu-
11 tory authority are required to implement such
12 trade agreement or agreements, provisions, nec-
13 essary or appropriate to implement such trade
14 agreement or agreements, either repealing or
15 amending existing laws or providing new statu-
16 tory authority.

17 (c) EXTENSION DISAPPROVAL PROCESS FOR CON-
18 GRESSIONAL TRADE AUTHORITIES PROCEDURES.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in sec-
20 tion 5(b)—

21 (A) the trade authorities procedures apply
22 to implementing bills submitted with respect to
23 trade agreements entered into under subsection
24 (b) before July 1, 2005; and



1 (B) the trade authorities procedures shall
2 be extended to implementing bills submitted
3 with respect to trade agreements entered into
4 under subsection (b) after June 30, 2005, and
5 before July 1, 2007, if (and only if)—

6 (i) the President requests such exten-
7 sion under paragraph (2); and

8 (ii) neither House of the Congress
9 adopts an extension disapproval resolution
10 under paragraph (5) before June 1, 2005.

11 (2) REPORT TO CONGRESS BY THE PRESI-
12 DENT.—If the President is of the opinion that the
13 trade authorities procedures should be extended to
14 implementing bills described in paragraph (1)(B),
15 the President shall submit to the Congress, not later
16 than March 1, 2005, a written report that contains
17 a request for such extension, together with—

18 (A) a description of all trade agreements
19 that have been negotiated under subsection (b)
20 and the anticipated schedule for submitting
21 such agreements to the Congress for approval;

22 (B) a description of the progress that has
23 been made in negotiations to achieve the pur-
24 poses, policies, priorities, and objectives of this



1 Act, and a statement that such progress justi-
2 fies the continuation of negotiations; and

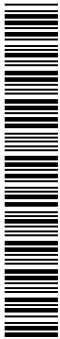
3 (C) a statement of the reasons why the ex-
4 tension is needed to complete the negotiations.

5 (3) REPORT TO CONGRESS BY THE ADVISORY
6 COMMITTEE.—The President shall promptly inform
7 the Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Nego-
8 tiations established under section 135 of the Trade
9 Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2155) of the President's de-
10 cision to submit a report to the Congress under
11 paragraph (2). The Advisory Committee shall submit
12 to the Congress as soon as practicable, but not later
13 than May 1, 2005, a written report that contains—

14 (A) its views regarding the progress that
15 has been made in negotiations to achieve the
16 purposes, policies, priorities, and objectives of
17 this Act; and

18 (B) a statement of its views, and the rea-
19 sons therefor, regarding whether the extension
20 requested under paragraph (2) should be ap-
21 proved or disapproved.

22 (4) STATUS OF REPORTS.—The reports sub-
23 mitted to the Congress under paragraphs (2) and
24 (3), or any portion of such reports, may be classified
25 to the extent the President determines appropriate.



1 (5) EXTENSION DISAPPROVAL RESOLUTIONS.—

2 (A) For purposes of paragraph (1), the term “exten-
3 sion disapproval resolution” means a resolution of
4 either House of the Congress, the sole matter after
5 the resolving clause of which is as follows: “That the
6 ____ disapproves the request of the President for
7 the extension, under section 3(c)(1)(B)(i) of the
8 Trade Promotion Authority Act of 2001, of the
9 trade authorities procedures under that Act to any
10 implementing bill submitted with respect to any
11 trade agreement entered into under section 3(b) of
12 that Act after June 30, 2005.”, with the blank space
13 being filled with the name of the resolving House of
14 the Congress.

15 (B) Extension disapproval resolutions—

16 (i) may be introduced in either House of
17 the Congress by any member of such House;
18 and

19 (ii) shall be referred, in the House of Rep-
20 resentatives, to the Committee on Ways and
21 Means and, in addition, to the Committee on
22 Rules.

23 (C) The provisions of sections 152(d) and (e) of
24 the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2192(d) and (e))
25 (relating to the floor consideration of certain resolu-



1 tions in the House and Senate) apply to extension
2 disapproval resolutions.

3 (D) It is not in order for—

4 (i) the Senate to consider any extension
5 disapproval resolution not reported by the Com-
6 mittee on Finance;

7 (ii) the House of Representatives to con-
8 sider any extension disapproval resolution not
9 reported by the Committee on Ways and Means
10 and, in addition, by the Committee on Rules; or

11 (iii) either House of the Congress to con-
12 sider an extension disapproval resolution after
13 June 30, 2005.

14 (d) COMMENCEMENT OF NEGOTIATIONS.—In order
15 to contribute to the continued economic expansion of the
16 United States, the President shall commence negotiations
17 covering tariff and nontariff barriers affecting any indus-
18 try, product, or service sector, and expand existing sec-
19 toral agreements to countries that are not parties to those
20 agreements, in cases where the President determines that
21 such negotiations are feasible and timely and would ben-
22 efit the United States. Such sectors include agriculture,
23 commercial services, intellectual property rights, industrial
24 and capital goods, government procurement, information
25 technology products, environmental technology and serv-



1 ices, medical equipment and services, civil aircraft, and in-
2 frastructure products. In so doing, the President shall
3 take into account all of the principal negotiating objectives
4 set forth in section 2(b).

5 **SEC. 4. CONSULTATIONS AND ASSESSMENT.**

6 (a) NOTICE AND CONSULTATION BEFORE NEGOTIA-
7 TION.—The President, with respect to any agreement that
8 is subject to the provisions of section 3(b), shall—

9 (1) provide, at least 90 calendar days before
10 initiating negotiations, written notice to the Con-
11 gress of the President's intention to enter into the
12 negotiations and set forth therein the date the Presi-
13 dent intends to initiate such negotiations, the spe-
14 cific United States objectives for the negotiations,
15 and whether the President intends to seek an agree-
16 ment, or changes to an existing agreement; and

17 (2) before and after submission of the notice,
18 consult regarding the negotiations with the Com-
19 mittee on Finance of the Senate and the Committee
20 on Ways and Means of the House of Representa-
21 tives, such other committees of the House and Sen-
22 ate as the President deems appropriate, and the
23 Congressional Oversight group convened under sec-
24 tion 7.



1 (b) NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING AGRICULTURE.—Be-
2 fore initiating or continuing negotiations the subject mat-
3 ter of which is directly related to the subject matter under
4 section 2(b)(9)(A)(i) with any country, the President shall
5 assess whether United States tariffs on agricultural prod-
6 ucts that were bound under the Uruguay Round Agree-
7 ments are lower than the tariffs bound by that country.
8 In addition, the President shall consider whether the tariff
9 levels bound and applied throughout the world with re-
10 spect to imports from the United States are higher than
11 United States tariffs and whether the negotiation provides
12 an opportunity to address any such disparity. The Presi-
13 dent shall consult with the Committee on Ways and Means
14 and the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Rep-
15 resentatives and the Committee on Finance and the Com-
16 mittee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Sen-
17 ate concerning the results of the assessment, whether it
18 is appropriate for the United States to agree to further
19 tariff reductions based on the conclusions reached in the
20 assessment, and how all applicable negotiating objectives
21 will be met.

22 (c) CONSULTATION WITH CONGRESS BEFORE
23 AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO.—



1 (1) CONSULTATION.—Before entering into any
2 trade agreement under section 3(b), the President
3 shall consult with—

4 (A) the Committee on Ways and Means of
5 the House of Representatives and the Com-
6 mittee on Finance of the Senate;

7 (B) each other committee of the House
8 and the Senate, and each joint committee of the
9 Congress, which has jurisdiction over legislation
10 involving subject matters which would be af-
11 fected by the trade agreement; and

12 (C) the Congressional Oversight Group
13 convened under section 7.

14 (2) SCOPE.—The consultation described in
15 paragraph (1) shall include consultation with respect
16 to—

17 (A) the nature of the agreement;

18 (B) how and to what extent the agreement
19 will achieve the applicable purposes, policies,
20 priorities, and objectives of this Act; and

21 (C) the implementation of the agreement
22 under section 5, including the general effect of
23 the agreement on existing laws.

24 (d) ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS.—The report
25 required under section 135(e)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974



1 regarding any trade agreement entered into under section
2 3(a) or (b) of this Act shall be provided to the President,
3 the Congress, and the United States Trade Representative
4 not later than 30 days after the date on which the Presi-
5 dent notifies the Congress under section 3(a)(1) or
6 5(a)(1)(A) of the President's intention to enter into the
7 agreement.

8 (e) ITC ASSESSMENT.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President, at least 90
10 calendar days before the day on which the President
11 enters into a trade agreement under section 3(b),
12 shall provide the International Trade Commission
13 (referred to in this subsection as “the Commission”)
14 with the details of the agreement as it exists at that
15 time and request the Commission to prepare and
16 submit an assessment of the agreement as described
17 in paragraph (2). Between the time the President
18 makes the request under this paragraph and the
19 time the Commission submits the assessment, the
20 President shall keep the Commission current with
21 respect to the details of the agreement.

22 (2) ITC ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 90 cal-
23 endar days after the President enters into the agree-
24 ment, the Commission shall submit to the President
25 and the Congress a report assessing the likely im-



1 pact of the agreement on the United States economy
2 as a whole and on specific industry sectors, includ-
3 ing the impact the agreement will have on the gross
4 domestic product, exports and imports, aggregate
5 employment and employment opportunities, the pro-
6 duction, employment, and competitive position of in-
7 dustries likely to be significantly affected by the
8 agreement, and the interests of United States con-
9 sumers.

10 (3) REVIEW OF EMPIRICAL LITERATURE.—In
11 preparing the assessment, the Commission shall re-
12 view available economic assessments regarding the
13 agreement, including literature regarding any sub-
14 stantially equivalent proposed agreement, and shall
15 provide in its assessment a description of the anal-
16 yses used and conclusions drawn in such literature,
17 and a discussion of areas of consensus and diver-
18 gence between the various analyses and conclusions,
19 including those of the Commission regarding the
20 agreement.

21 **SEC. 5. IMPLEMENTATION OF TRADE AGREEMENTS.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—

23 (1) NOTIFICATION AND SUBMISSION.—Any
24 agreement entered into under section 3(b) shall



1 enter into force with respect to the United States if
2 (and only if)—

3 (A) the President, at least 90 calendar
4 days before the day on which the President en-
5 ters into the trade agreement, notifies the
6 House of Representatives and the Senate of the
7 President's intention to enter into the agree-
8 ment, and promptly thereafter publishes notice
9 of such intention in the Federal Register;

10 (B) within 60 days after entering into the
11 agreement, the President submits to the Con-
12 gress a description of those changes to existing
13 laws that the President considers would be re-
14 quired in order to bring the United States into
15 compliance with the agreement;

16 (C) after entering into the agreement, the
17 President submits to the Congress a copy of the
18 final legal text of the agreement, together
19 with—

20 (i) a draft of an implementing bill de-
21 scribed in section 3(b)(3);

22 (ii) a statement of any administrative
23 action proposed to implement the trade
24 agreement; and



1 (iii) the supporting information de-
2 scribed in paragraph (2); and

3 (D) the implementing bill is enacted into
4 law.

5 (2) SUPPORTING INFORMATION.—The sup-
6 porting information required under paragraph
7 (1)(C)(iii) consists of—

8 (A) an explanation as to how the imple-
9 menting bill and proposed administrative action
10 will change or affect existing law; and

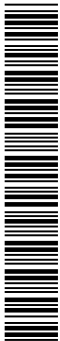
11 (B) a statement—

12 (i) asserting that the agreement
13 makes progress in achieving the applicable
14 purposes, policies, priorities, and objectives
15 of this Act; and

16 (ii) setting forth the reasons of the
17 President regarding—

18 (I) how and to what extent the
19 agreement makes progress in achiev-
20 ing the applicable purposes, policies,
21 and objectives referred to in clause (i);

22 (II) whether and how the agree-
23 ment changes provisions of an agree-
24 ment previously negotiated;

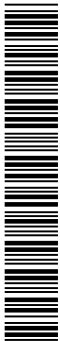


1 (III) how the agreement serves
2 the interests of United States com-
3 merce;

4 (IV) how the implementing bill
5 meets the standards set forth in sec-
6 tion 3(b)(3); and

7 (V) how and to what extent the
8 agreement makes progress in achiev-
9 ing the applicable purposes, policies,
10 and objectives referred to in section
11 2(c) regarding the promotion of cer-
12 tain priorities.

13 (3) RECIPROCAL BENEFITS.—In order to en-
14 sure that a foreign country that is not a party to a
15 trade agreement entered into under section 3(b)
16 does not receive benefits under the agreement unless
17 the country is also subject to the obligations under
18 the agreement, the implementing bill submitted with
19 respect to the agreement shall provide that the bene-
20 fits and obligations under the agreement apply only
21 to the parties to the agreement, if such application
22 is consistent with the terms of the agreement. The
23 implementing bill may also provide that the benefits
24 and obligations under the agreement do not apply
25 uniformly to all parties to the agreement, if such ap-



1 plication is consistent with the terms of the agree-
2 ment.

3 (b) LIMITATIONS ON TRADE AUTHORITIES PROCE-
4 DURES.—

5 (1) FOR LACK OF NOTICE OR CONSULTA-
6 TIONS.—

7 (A) IN GENERAL.—The trade authorities
8 procedures shall not apply to any implementing
9 bill submitted with respect to a trade agreement
10 entered into under section 3(b) if during the
11 60-day period beginning on the date that one
12 House of Congress agrees to a procedural dis-
13 approval resolution for lack of notice or con-
14 sultations with respect to that trade agreement,
15 the other House separately agrees to a proce-
16 dural disapproval resolution with respect to that
17 agreement.

18 (B) PROCEDURAL DISAPPROVAL RESOLU-
19 TION.—For purposes of this paragraph, the
20 term “procedural disapproval resolution” means
21 a resolution of either House of Congress, the
22 sole matter after the resolving clause of which
23 is as follows: “That the President has failed or
24 refused to notify or consult (as the case may
25 be) with Congress in accordance with section 4



1 or 5 of the Trade Promotion Authority Act of
2 2001 on negotiations with respect to
3 _____ and, therefore, the trade au-
4 thorities procedures under that Act shall not
5 apply to any implementing bill submitted with
6 respect to that trade agreement.”, with the
7 blank space being filled with a description of
8 the trade agreement with respect to which the
9 President is considered to have failed or refused
10 to notify or consult.

11 (2) PROCEDURES FOR CONSIDERING RESOLU-
12 TIONS.—(A) Procedural disapproval resolutions—

13 (i) in the House of Representatives—

14 (I) shall be introduced by the chair-
15 man or ranking minority member of the
16 Committee on Ways and Means or the
17 chairman or ranking minority member of
18 the Committee on Rules;

19 (II) shall be referred to the Com-
20 mittee on Ways and Means and, in addi-
21 tion, to the Committee on Rules; and

22 (III) may not be amended by either
23 Committee; and

24 (ii) in the Senate shall be original resolu-
25 tions of the Committee on Finance.



1 (B) The provisions of section 152(d) and (e) of
2 the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2192(d) and (e))
3 (relating to the floor consideration of certain resolu-
4 tions in the House and Senate) apply to procedural
5 disapproval resolutions.

6 (C) It is not in order for the House of Rep-
7 resentatives to consider any procedural disapproval
8 resolution not reported by the Committee on Ways
9 and Means and, in addition, by the Committee on
10 Rules.

11 (c) RULES OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND
12 SENATE.—Subsection (b) of this section and section 3(c)
13 are enacted by the Congress—

14 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of
15 the House of Representatives and the Senate, re-
16 spectively, and as such are deemed a part of the
17 rules of each House, respectively, and such proce-
18 dures supersede other rules only to the extent that
19 they are inconsistent with such other rules; and

20 (2) with the full recognition of the constitu-
21 tional right of either House to change the rules (so
22 far as relating to the procedures of that House) at
23 any time, in the same manner, and to the same ex-
24 tent as any other rule of that House.



1 **SEC. 6. TREATMENT OF CERTAIN TRADE AGREEMENTS FOR**
2 **WHICH NEGOTIATIONS HAVE ALREADY**
3 **BEGUN.**

4 (a) CERTAIN AGREEMENTS.—Notwithstanding sec-
5 tion 3(b)(2), if an agreement to which section 3(b)
6 applies—

7 (1) is entered into under the auspices of the
8 World Trade Organization,

9 (2) is entered into with Chile,

10 (3) is entered into with Singapore, or

11 (4) establishes a Free Trade Area for the
12 Americas,

13 and results from negotiations that were commenced before
14 the date of the enactment of this Act, subsection (b) shall
15 apply.

16 (b) TREATMENT OF AGREEMENTS.—In the case of
17 any agreement to which subsection (a) applies—

18 (1) the applicability of the trade authorities
19 procedures to implementing bills shall be determined
20 without regard to the requirements of section 4(a)
21 (relating only to 90 days notice prior to initiating
22 negotiations), and any procedural disapproval resolu-
23 tion under section 5(b)(1)(B) shall not be in order
24 on the basis of a failure or refusal to comply with
25 the provisions of section 4(a); and



1 (2) the President shall, as soon as feasible after
2 the enactment of this Act—

3 (A) notify the Congress of the negotiations
4 described in subsection (a), the specific United
5 States objectives in the negotiations, and
6 whether the President is seeking a new agree-
7 ment or changes to an existing agreement; and

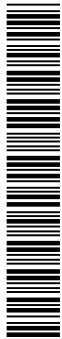
8 (B) before and after submission of the no-
9 tice, consult regarding the negotiations with the
10 committees referred to in section 4(a)(2) and
11 the Congressional Oversight Group.

12 **SEC. 7. CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT GROUP.**

13 (a) MEMBERS AND FUNCTIONS.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—By not later than 60 days
15 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not
16 later than 30 days after the convening of each Con-
17 gress, the chairman of the Committee on Ways and
18 Means of the House of Representatives and the
19 chairman of the Committee on Finance of the Sen-
20 ate shall convene the Congressional Oversight
21 Group.

22 (2) MEMBERSHIP FROM THE HOUSE.—In each
23 Congress, the Congressional Oversight Group shall
24 be comprised of the following Members of the House
25 of Representatives:



1 (A) The chairman and ranking member of
2 the Committee on Ways and Means, and 3 ad-
3 ditional members of such Committee (not more
4 than 2 of whom are members of the same polit-
5 ical party).

6 (B) The chairman and ranking member, or
7 their designees, of the committees of the House
8 of Representatives which would have, under the
9 Rules of the House of Representatives, jurisdic-
10 tion over provisions of law affected by a trade
11 agreement negotiations for which are conducted
12 at any time during that Congress and to which
13 this Act would apply.

14 (3) MEMBERSHIP FROM THE SENATE.—In each
15 Congress, the Congressional Oversight Group shall
16 also be comprised of the following members of the
17 Senate:

18 (A) The chairman and ranking Member of
19 the Committee on Finance and 3 additional
20 members of such Committee (not more than 2
21 of whom are members of the same political
22 party).

23 (B) The chairman and ranking member, or
24 their designees, of the committees of the Senate
25 which would have, under the Rules of the Sen-



1 ate, jurisdiction over provisions of law affected
2 by a trade agreement negotiations for which are
3 conducted at any time during that Congress
4 and to which this Act would apply.

5 (4) ACCREDITATION.—Each member of the
6 Congressional Oversight Group described in para-
7 graph (2)(A) and (3)(A) shall be accredited by the
8 United States Trade Representative on behalf of the
9 President as official advisers to the United States
10 delegation in negotiations for any trade agreement
11 to which this Act applies. Each member of the Con-
12 gressional Oversight Group described in paragraph
13 (2)(B) and (3)(B) shall be accredited by the United
14 States Trade Representative on behalf of the Presi-
15 dent as official advisers to the United States delega-
16 tion in the negotiations by reason of which the mem-
17 ber is in the Congressional Oversight Group. The
18 Congressional Oversight Group shall consult with
19 and provide advice to the Trade Representative re-
20 garding the formulation of specific objectives, negoti-
21 ating strategies and positions, the development of
22 the applicable trade agreement, and compliance and
23 enforcement of the negotiated commitments under
24 the trade agreement.



1 (5) CHAIR.—The Congressional Oversight
2 Group shall be chaired by the Chairman of the Com-
3 mittee on Ways and Means of the House of Rep-
4 resentatives and the Chairman of the Committee on
5 Finance of the Senate.

6 (b) GUIDELINES.—

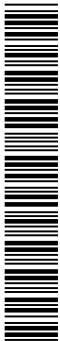
7 (1) PURPOSE AND REVISION.—The United
8 States Trade Representative, in consultation with
9 the chairmen and ranking minority members of the
10 Committee on Ways and Means of the House of
11 Representatives and the Committee on Finance of
12 the Senate—

13 (A) shall, within 120 days after the date of
14 the enactment of this Act, develop written
15 guidelines to facilitate the useful and timely ex-
16 change of information between the Trade Rep-
17 resentative and the Congressional Oversight
18 Group established under this section; and

19 (B) may make such revisions to the guide-
20 lines as may be necessary from time to time.

21 (2) CONTENT.—The guidelines developed under
22 paragraph (1) shall provide for, among other
23 things—

24 (A) regular, detailed briefings of the Con-
25 gressional Oversight Group regarding negoti-



1 ating objectives, including the promotion of cer-
2 tain priorities referred to in section 2(c), and
3 positions and the status of the applicable nego-
4 tiations, beginning as soon as practicable after
5 the Congressional Oversight Group is convened,
6 with more frequent briefings as trade negotia-
7 tions enter the final stage;

8 (B) access by members of the Congres-
9 sional Oversight Group, and staff with proper
10 security clearances, to pertinent documents re-
11 lating to the negotiations, including classified
12 materials;

13 (C) the closest practicable coordination be-
14 tween the Trade Representative and the Con-
15 gressional Oversight Group at all critical peri-
16 ods during the negotiations, including at nego-
17 tiation sites; and

18 (D) after the applicable trade agreement is
19 concluded, consultation regarding ongoing com-
20 pliance and enforcement of negotiated commit-
21 ments under the trade agreement.

22 **SEC. 8. ADDITIONAL IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCE-**
23 **MENT REQUIREMENTS.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—At the time the President submits
25 to the Congress the final text of an agreement pursuant

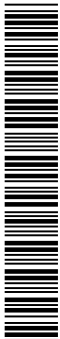


1 to section 5(a)(1)(C), the President shall also submit a
2 plan for implementing and enforcing the agreement. The
3 implementation and enforcement plan shall include the fol-
4 lowing:

5 (1) BORDER PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS.—A
6 description of additional personnel required at bor-
7 der entry points, including a list of additional cus-
8 toms and agricultural inspectors.

9 (2) AGENCY STAFFING REQUIREMENTS.—A de-
10 scription of additional personnel required by Federal
11 agencies responsible for monitoring and imple-
12 menting the trade agreement, including personnel
13 required by the Office of the United States Trade
14 Representative, the Department of Commerce, the
15 Department of Agriculture (including additional per-
16 sonnel required to implement sanitary and
17 phytosanitary measures in order to obtain market
18 access for United States exports), the Department of
19 the Treasury, and such other agencies as may be
20 necessary.

21 (3) CUSTOMS INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIRE-
22 MENTS.—A description of the additional equipment
23 and facilities needed by the United States Customs
24 Service.



1 (4) IMPACT ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERN-
2 MENTS.—A description of the impact the trade
3 agreement will have on State and local governments
4 as a result of increases in trade.

5 (5) COST ANALYSIS.—An analysis of the costs
6 associated with each of the items listed in para-
7 graphs (1) through (4).

8 (b) BUDGET SUBMISSION.—The President shall in-
9 clude a request for the resources necessary to support the
10 plan described in subsection (a) in the first budget that
11 the President submits to the Congress after the submis-
12 sion of the plan.

13 **SEC. 9. DEFINITIONS.**

14 In this Act:

15 (1) AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURE.—The term
16 “Agreement on Agriculture” means the agreement
17 referred to in section 101(d)(2) of the Uruguay
18 Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3511(d)(2)).

19 (2) CORE LABOR STANDARDS.—The term “core
20 labor standards” means—

21 (A) the right of association;

22 (B) the right to organize and bargain col-
23 lectively;

24 (C) a prohibition on the use of any form
25 of forced or compulsory labor;



1 (D) a minimum age for the employment of
2 children; and

3 (E) acceptable conditions of work with re-
4 spect to minimum wages, hours of work, and
5 occupational safety and health.

6 (3) GATT 1994.—The term “GATT 1994” has
7 the meaning given that term in section 2 of the Uru-
8 guay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3501).

9 (4) ILO.—The term “ILO” means the Inter-
10 national Labor Organization.

11 (5) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term
12 “United States person” means—

13 (A) a United States citizen;

14 (B) a partnership, corporation, or other
15 legal entity organized under the laws of the
16 United States; and

17 (C) a partnership, corporation, or other
18 legal entity that is organized under the laws of
19 a foreign country and is controlled by entities
20 described in subparagraph (B) or United States
21 citizens, or both.

22 (6) URUGUAY ROUND AGREEMENTS.—The term
23 “Uruguay Round Agreements” has the meaning
24 given that term in section 2(7) of the Uruguay
25 Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3501(7)).



1 (7) WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION; WTO.—The
2 terms “World Trade Organization” and “WTO”
3 mean the organization established pursuant to the
4 WTO Agreement.

5 (8) WTO AGREEMENT.—The term “WTO
6 Agreement” means the Agreement Establishing the
7 World Trade Organization entered into on April 15,
8 1994.

